

INFORMATION NOTICE

WORKFORCE SERVICES

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL UI CLAIM FILING OPTIONS FOR EX-MILITARY

PERSONNEL

The purpose of this Information Notice is to advise of additional Unemployment Insurance (UI) claim filing options for ex-military personnel. In the event that they become unemployed, ex-military personnel may qualify for UI benefits. The Employment Development Department's (EDD) UI program is an important economic safety net that allows workers to meet basic needs during temporary periods of unemployment.

Previously, individuals recently separated from the military could only file for UI benefits by telephone. The UI program has been experiencing an unusually high demand for services and individuals trying to reach EDD may have difficulty filing over the telephone due to increased call volume.

Ex-military personnel may now file for UI benefits by accessing the UI application (DE 1101I) from the EDD Web site. The application can be filled online and printed, or printed and completed by hand, and then mailed or faxed to EDD for processing.

In addition, in some instances, ex-military personnel may use the online application, *eApply4UI*, to reopen an existing claim in the same benefit year. This application is completed and submitted online.

Similarly, civilian employees who work for the federal government may also file for UI benefits or reopen an existing claim using the paper application. The *eApply4UI* application is not currently available for these workers.

To file a new claim for benefits or reopen an existing claim, individuals will be asked a series of questions online to determine which application is best for them. Individuals can access the applications at the EDD Web site at Unemployment/Ways_to_File.htm.

If you have any questions please contact Alexi Vining at (916) 653-3475 UI Branch Office.

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